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Our Case No.: 10580/3

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Bernard Bendiner)

Serial No.: 09/336,612)

Filing Date: June 18, 1999)

For: SORBIC ACID AND/OR ITS)
DERIVATIVES, SUCH AS)
POTASSIUM SORBATE, AS A)
PREVENTATIVE FOR RUST,)
CORROSION AND SCALE ON)
METAL SURFACES)

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Dear Sir:

Applicant hereby petitions the Commissioner to accept the color photographs filed in this application as Figures 9 through 17. Three (3) sets of color copies are attached hereto. The Petition fee of \$130.00 under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) is enclosed herewith.

The color photographs are necessary in this application since the invention is directed to a method and solution that will prevent rust. The color photographs of Figures 9 through 17 show a comparison test conducted with a first glass container filled with tap water and a second glass container filled with Applicant's solution. Ungalvanized nails were submerged in the liquid contained in both glass containers. The glass containers

were photographed over the seven (7) day test period. The discoloration and the lack of discoloration of the liquid, as well as the rust and lack of rust on the ungalvanized nails, is very apparent in the colored photographs but is not as apparent in black and white photographs or drawings made by a patent draftsman.

The application as originally filed contains the following on page 4, lines 6-8:

The file of this patent contains at least one drawing executed in color. Copies of this patent with color drawing(s) will be provided by the Patent and Trademark Office upon request and payment of the necessary fee.

Dated: September 21, 2000

Respectfully submitted,



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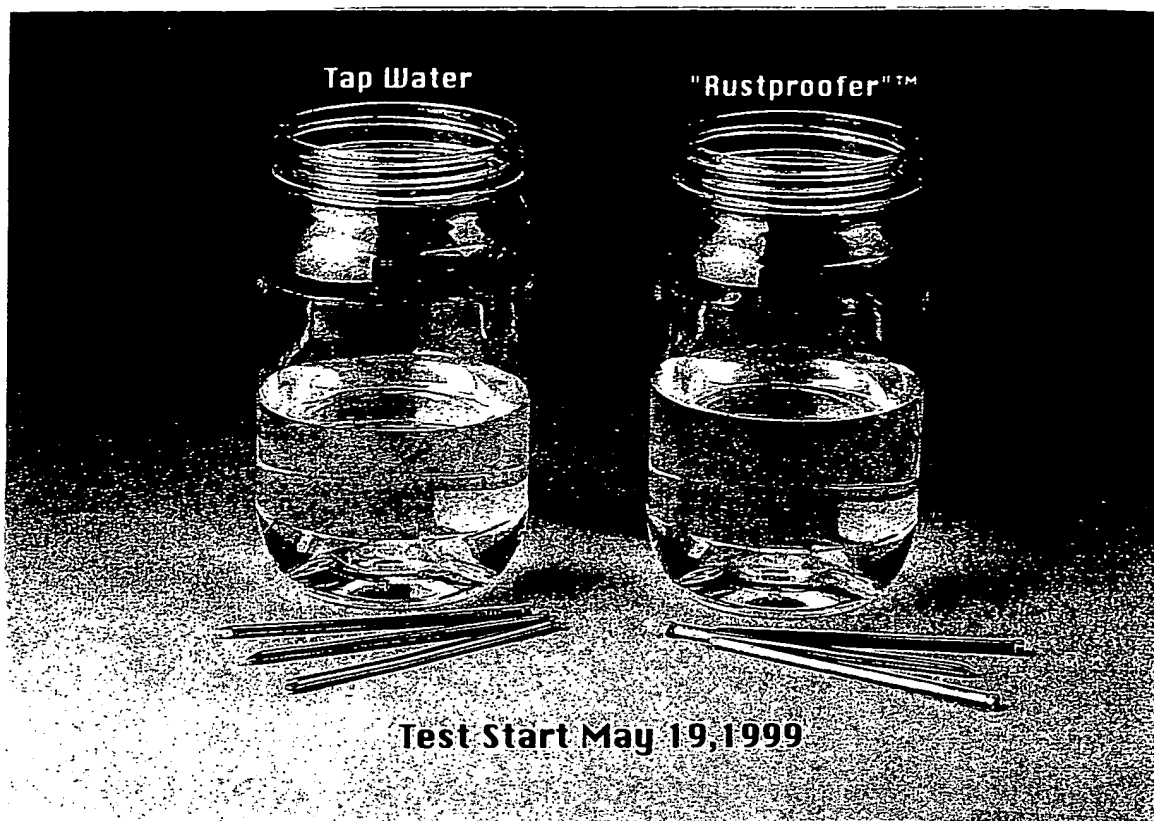


FIG 9

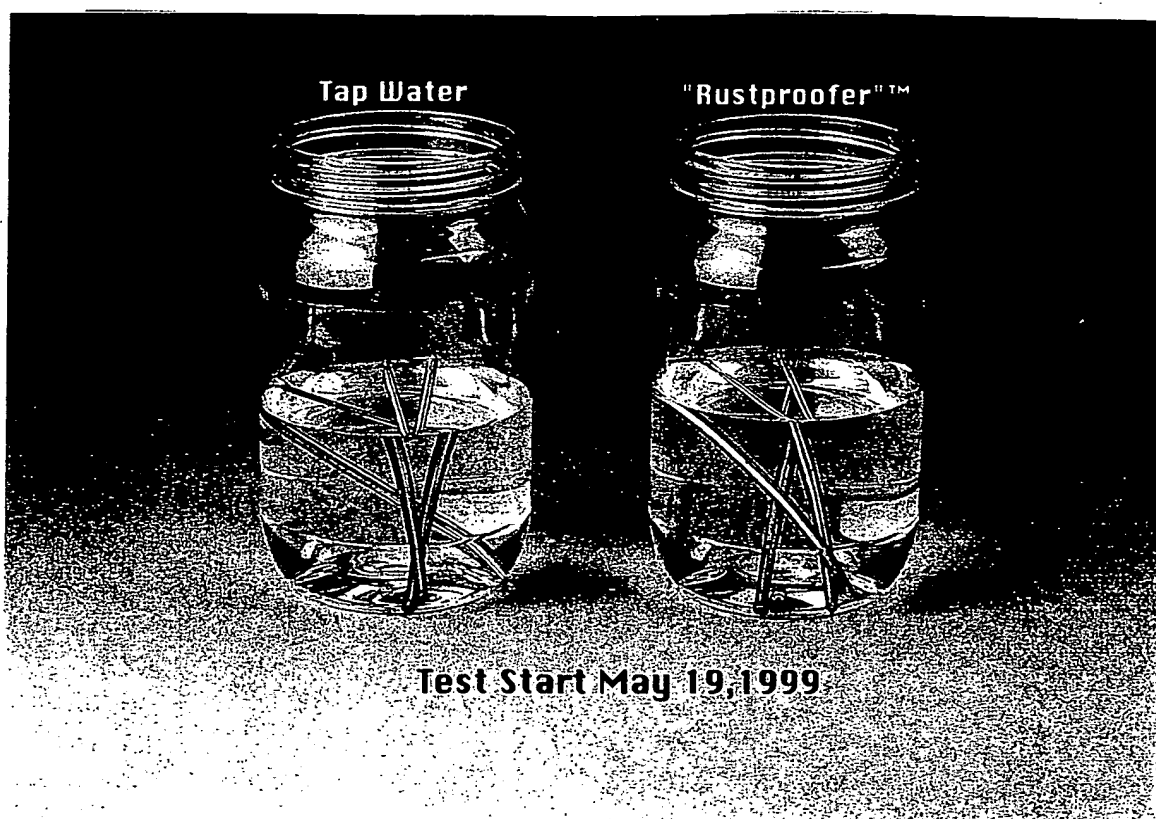


FIG 10

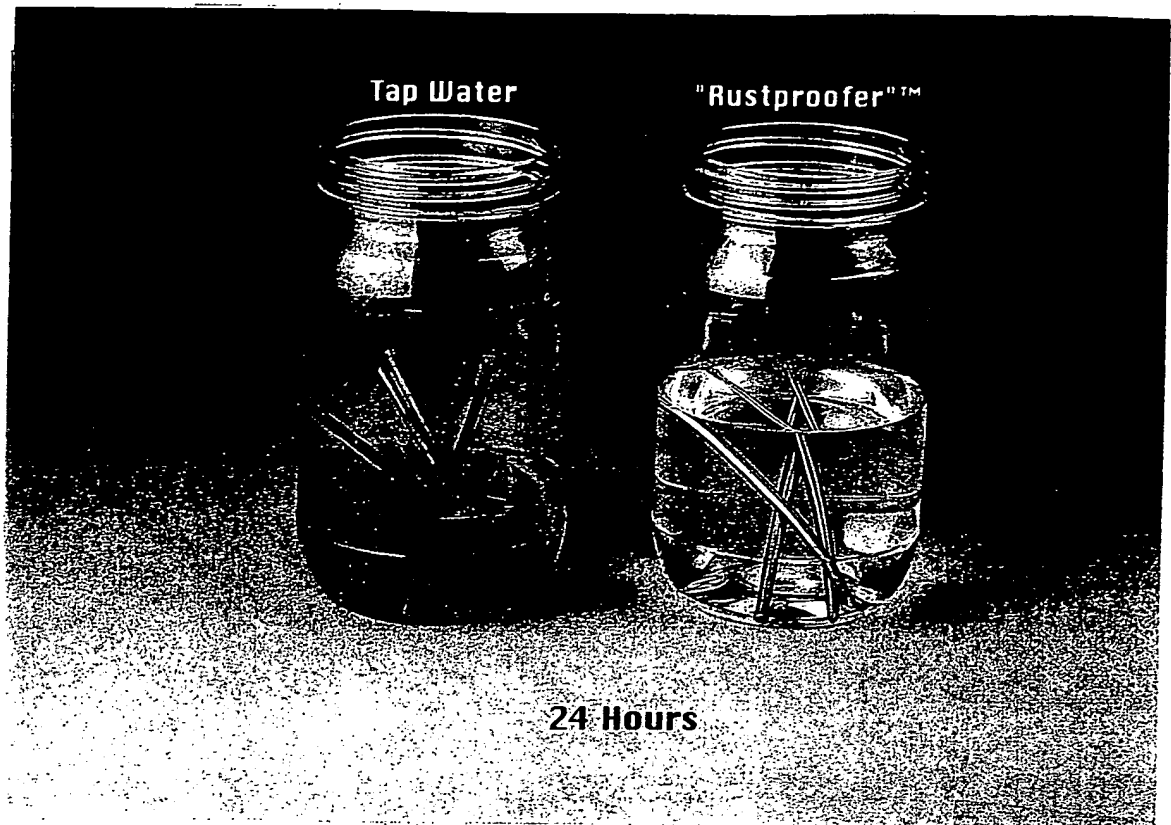


FIG 11

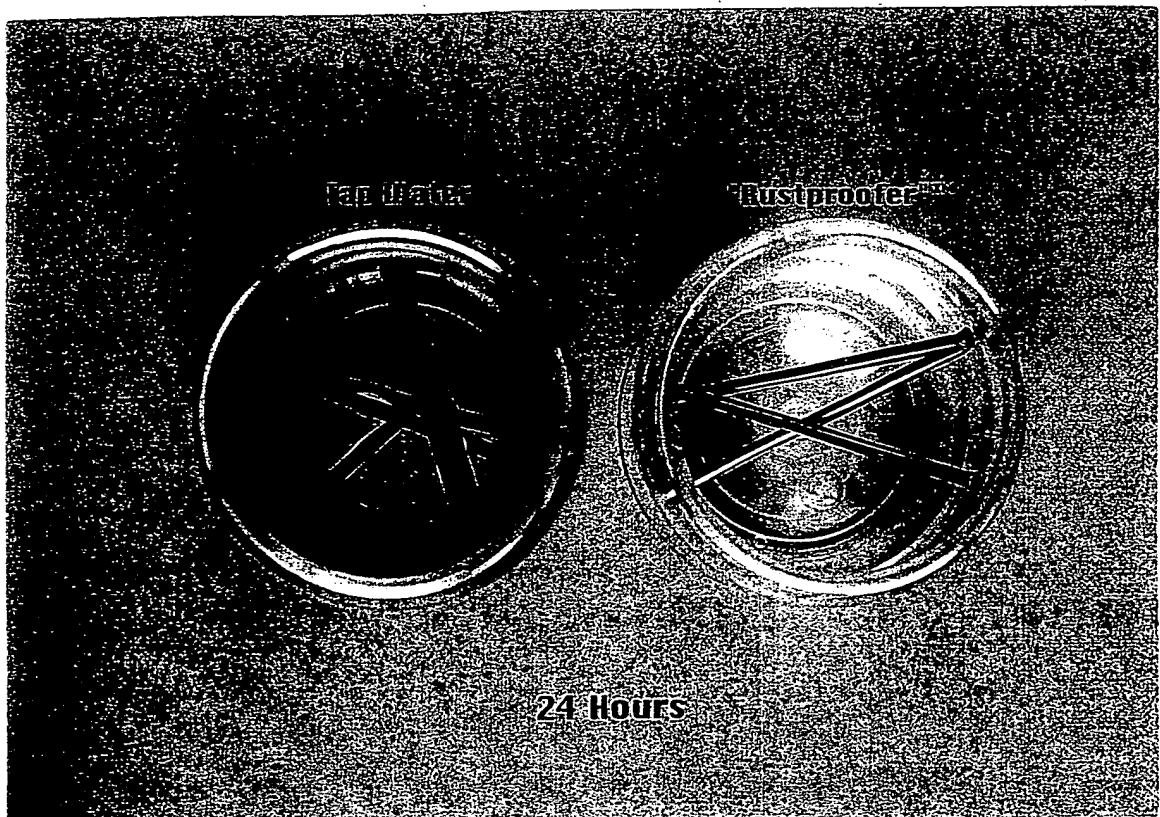


FIG 12

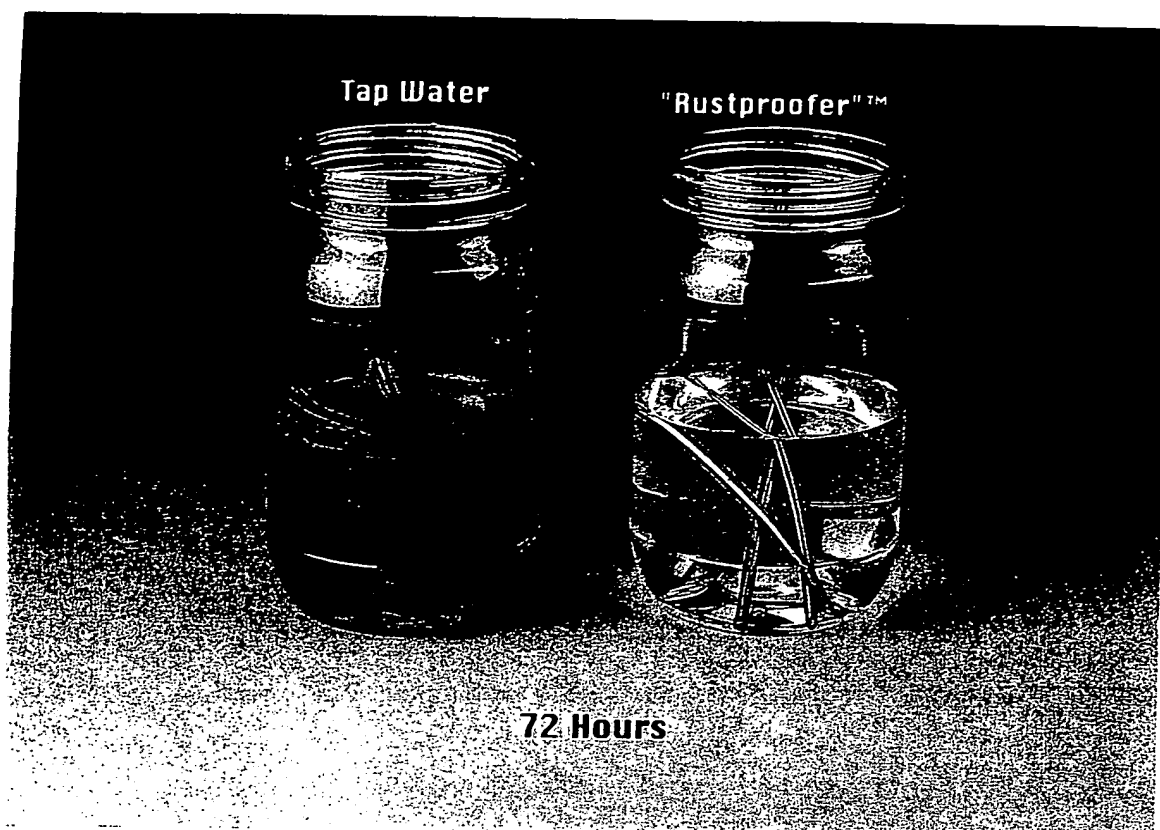


FIG 13

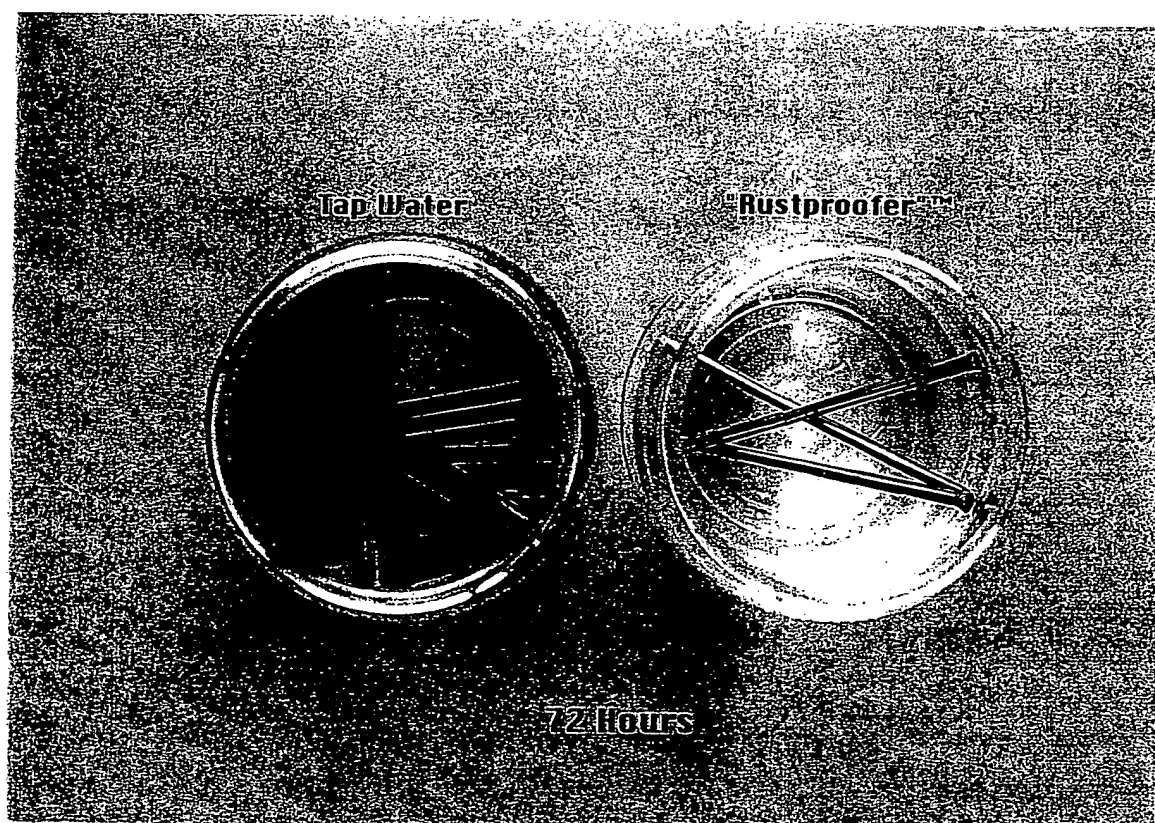


FIG 14

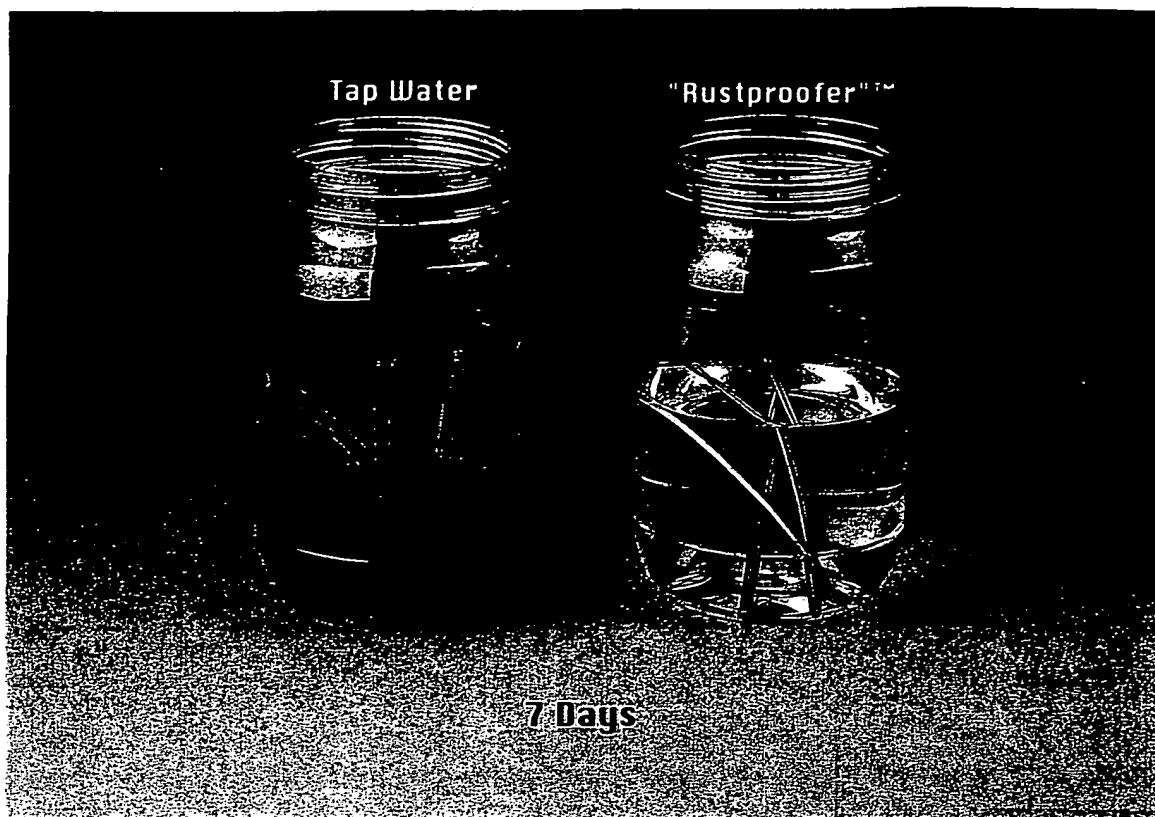


FIG 15

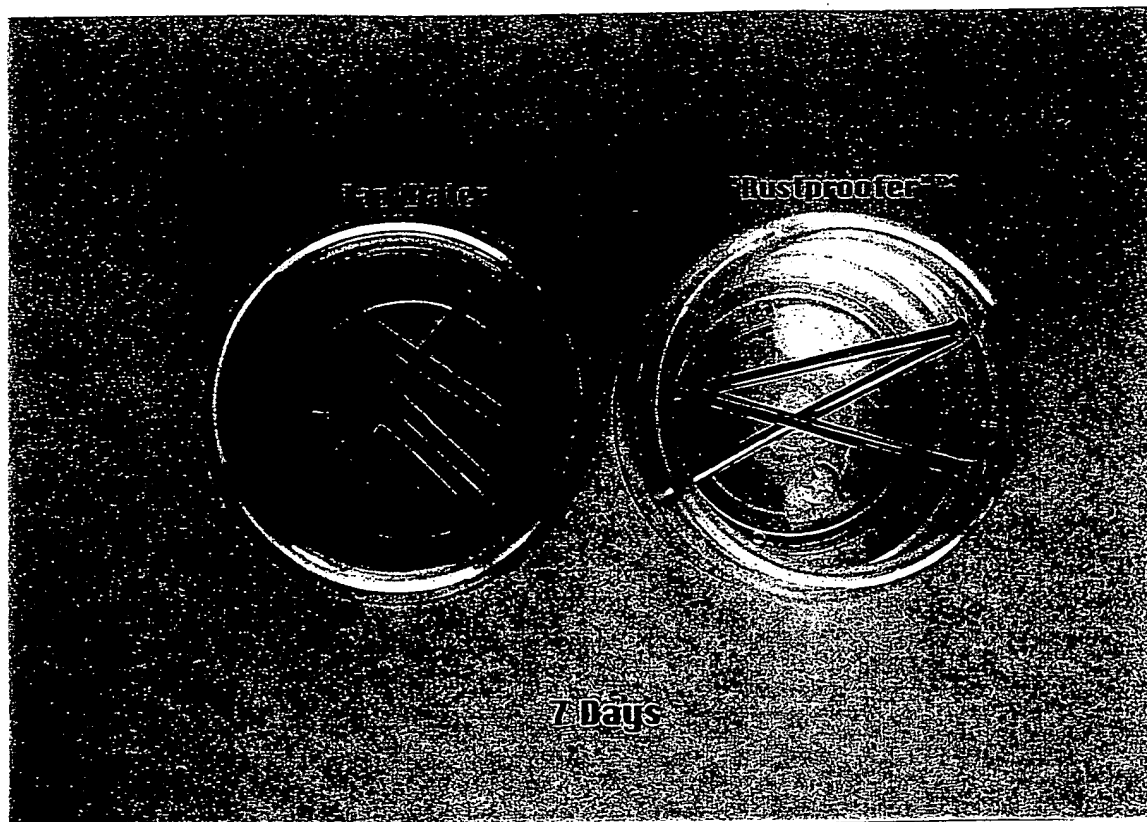


FIG 16

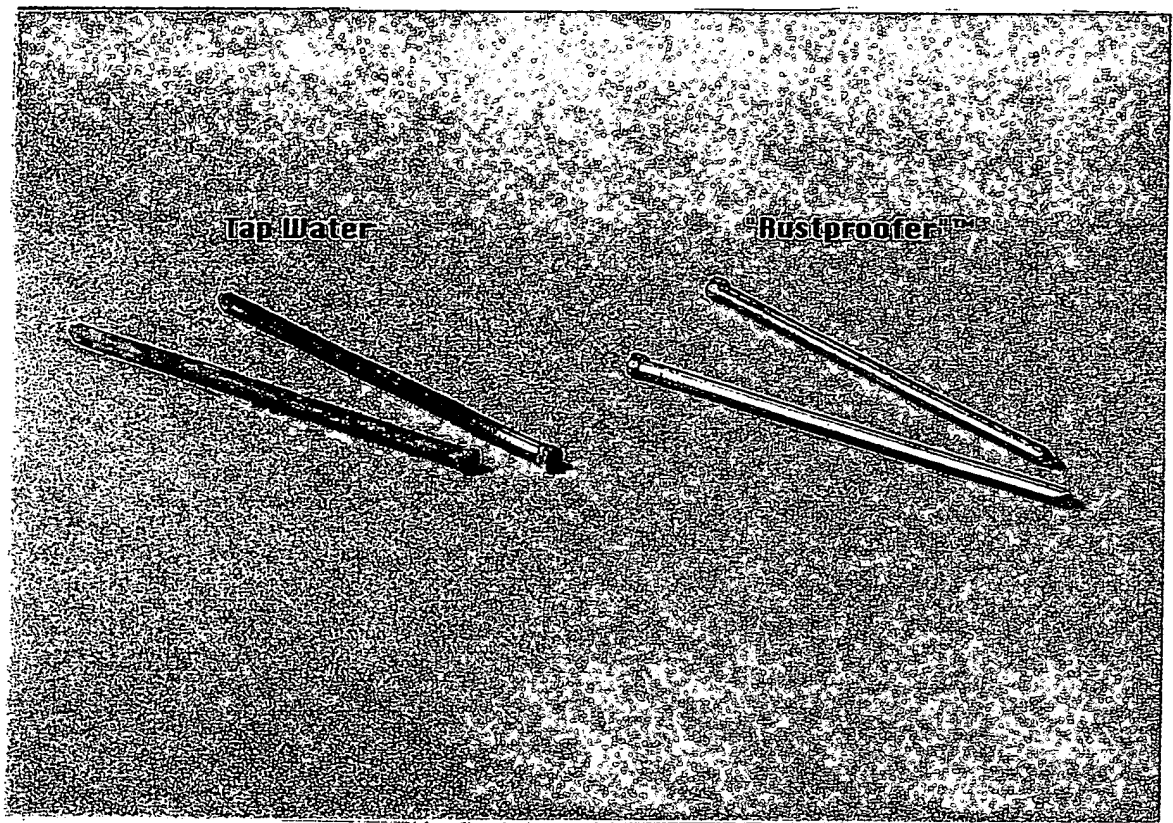


FIG 17